



The Illinois Health Information Exchange: the Path Forward

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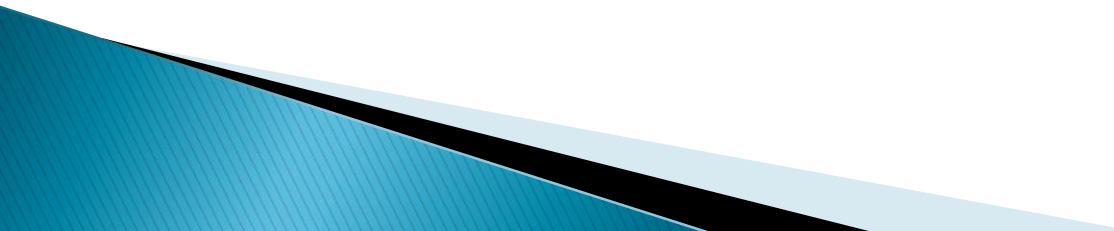
Why Health Information Exchange?

- ▶ We need to improve health outcomes
- ▶ We need better care coordination among providers
- ▶ We need to reduce medical errors
- ▶ We need to reduce health disparities
- ▶ We need to control health care costs

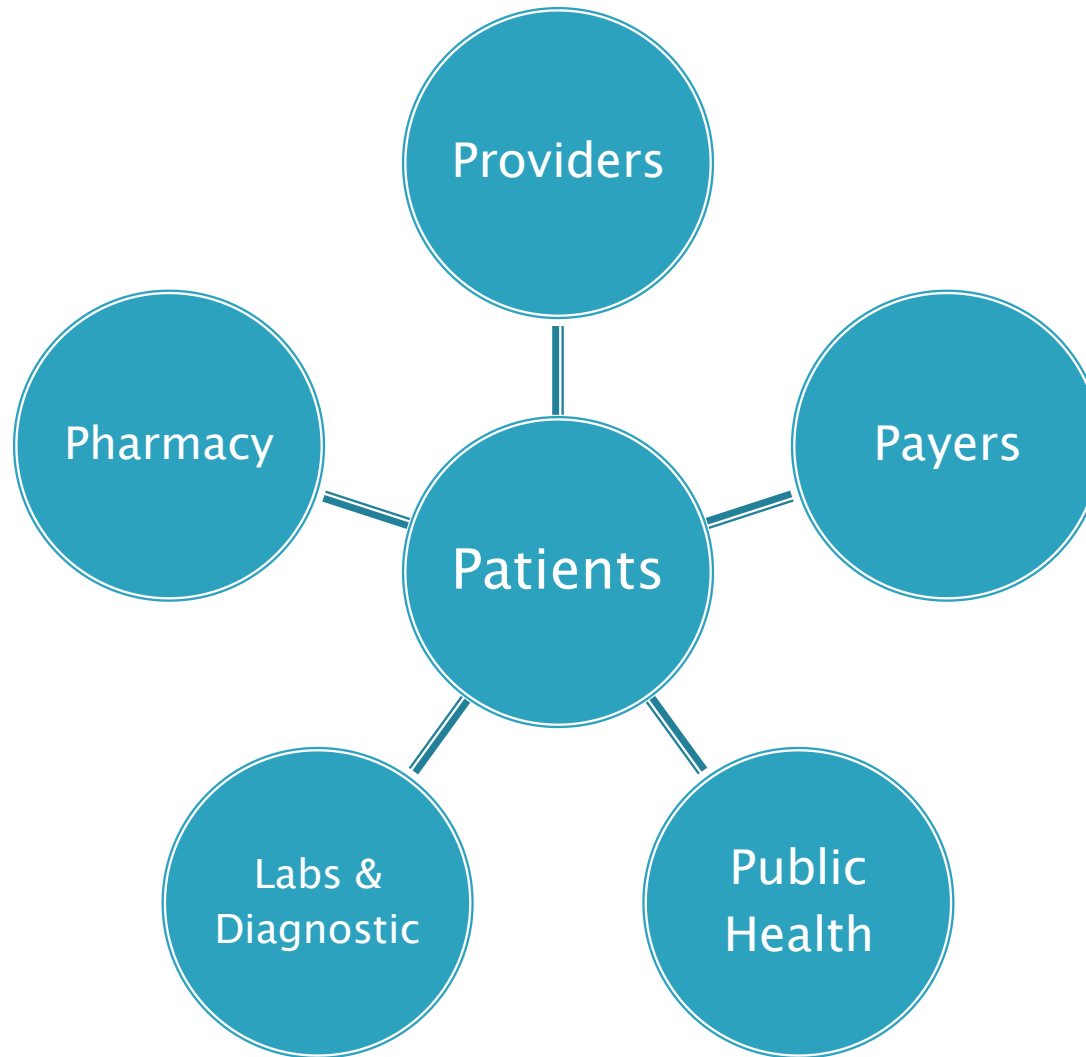
HIE is a Marathon, not a Sprint



Objectives of Illinois' HIE Initiative

- ▶ Widespread adoption and meaningful use of electronic health records
 - ▶ Secure exchange of clinical data among providers
 - ▶ Reporting quality measures
 - ▶ Public health reporting and disease surveillance
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HIE Participants



What is “the ILHIE?”

- ▶ The statewide network authorized by statute
- ▶ Core services and standards operated and governed by the Illinois HIE Authority
- ▶ Secure communications and message routing hub to ensure connectivity among regional and private HIEs
- ▶ Means of electronic exchange with State health IT systems

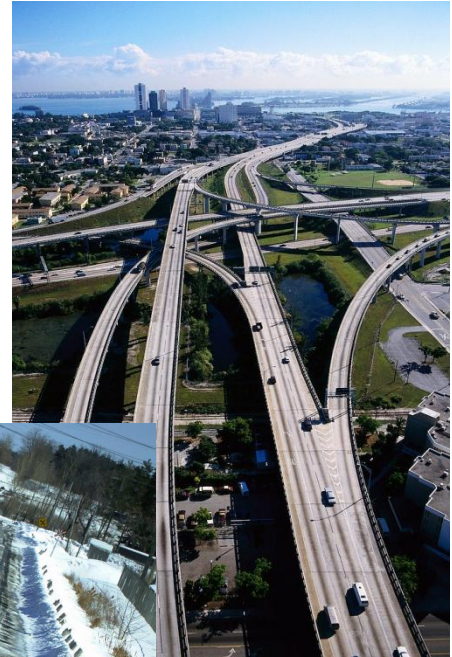
The Impact of ARRA



Catalysts in ARRA

- ▶ Medicare & Medicaid EHR Incentive Program
 - Provider Payments
 - Certification Criteria
- ▶ State HIE Cooperative Agreement Program
- ▶ Regional Extension Center Program
- ▶ Broadband Investment

The Roads We've Traveled



HIE Progress in Illinois

- ▶ Significant EHR adoption and incentive program participation
- ▶ Work of the Regional Extension Centers and their 2700+ providers
- ▶ Multiple regional HIEs in pilot phases
- ▶ ILHIE Direct secure messaging, 300+ users and growing

EHR Adoption & Incentive Program Participation

- ▶ More than 9,800 Medicare and Medicaid eligible professionals registered in Illinois
- ▶ 138 hospitals registered
- ▶ \$180 million in incentives paid as of 4/27/12
- ▶ Most behavioral health providers, long term care not eligible for incentives; EHR adoption currently low

What is ILHIE Direct?

- ▶ Simple, secure transport mechanism for health information over the Internet
- ▶ Trading partners are trusted and verified
- ▶ Allows providers to meet Stage 1 Meaningful Use exchange requirement
- ▶ Available to licensed Illinois providers at no cost through 2012
- ▶ Pathway to more robust HIE

ILHIE Support for Health Care Transformation in Illinois

- ▶ Medicaid Care Coordination Programs
- ▶ Behavioral and Primary Health Care Integration
- ▶ Accountable Care Organizations and other payment reforms
- ▶ Patient and family involvement

Data Privacy and Security Progress

- ▶ ILHIE Legal Task Force Work
 - 14 months, 50+ legal experts, 10 work groups
 - Identified legal barriers and options to address
- ▶ ILHIE Data Security and Privacy Committee
 - Conducting hearings statewide and will recommend changes to existing law

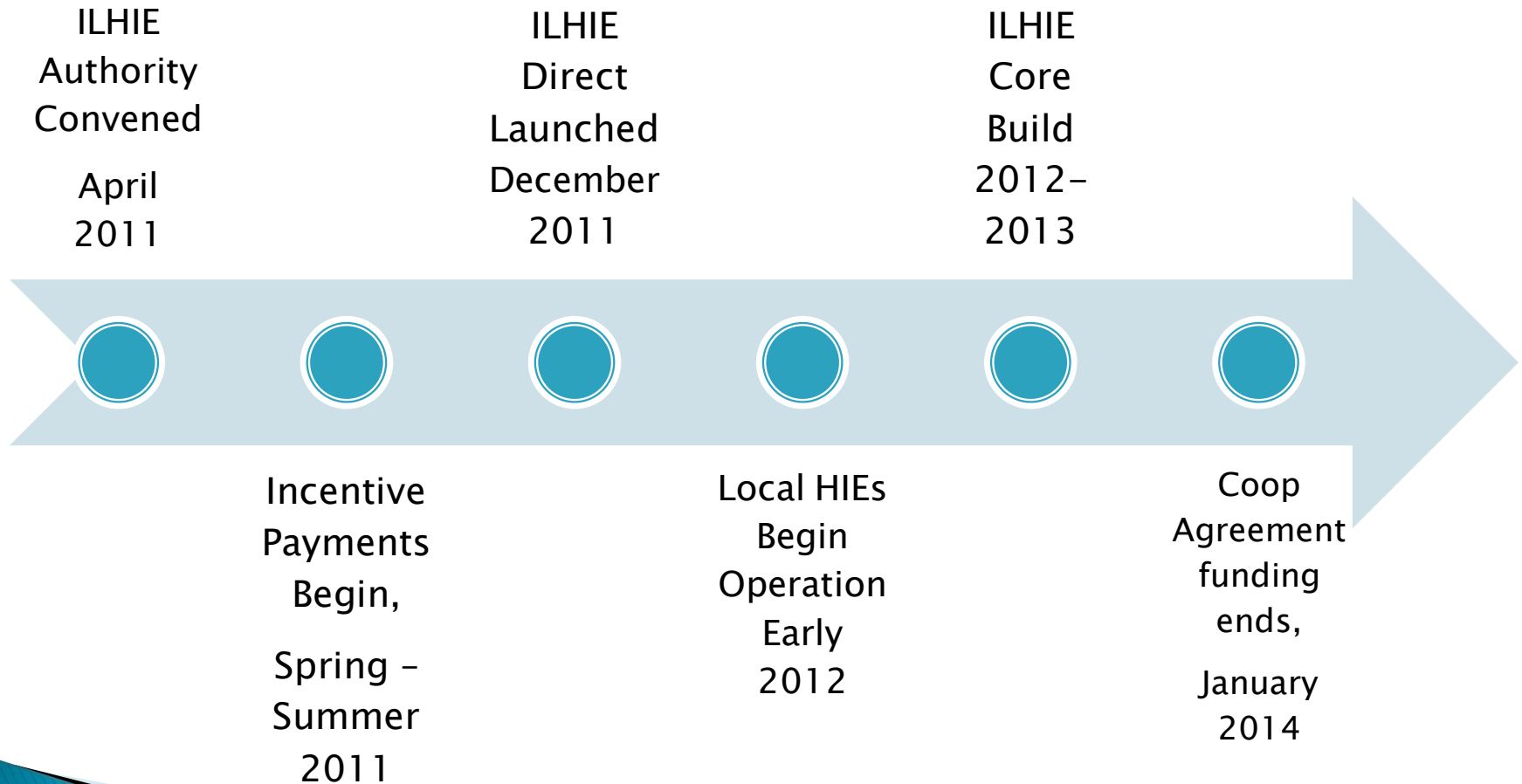
Illinois' Behavioral Health Integration Project

- ▶ Increase knowledge and ability to adopt EHR and exchange data with physical health providers
- ▶ Communication plan focuses on engagement, education and feedback
- ▶ Research efforts include capacity studies, best practices and demonstration sites
- ▶ Products: Mock CCD, consent forms, data architecture, agreements, legislation

Sustaining HIE in Illinois

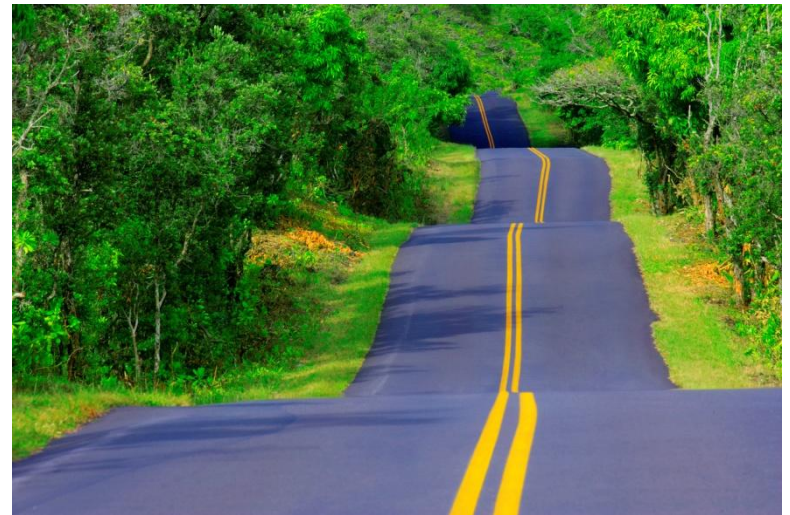
- ▶ State and federal investment provides foundation
- ▶ Cooperative agreement funds end Jan. 2014
- ▶ Business plan to be adopted by ILHIE Authority
- ▶ HIE must offer services of value to participants
- ▶ Costs must be assessed in a fair and transparent manner
- ▶ Public trust is a critical component

ILHIE High Level Timeline



The Road Ahead

- ▶ More EHR Adoption, Implementation, Use
- ▶ Robust information exchange
- ▶ Patient awareness and demand
- ▶ Addressing legal barriers



For More Information

- ▶ Illinois Health Information Exchange Web Page
 - www.hie.illinois.gov
- ▶ US HHS Health IT Page
 - www.healthit.hhs.gov



Thank You, HIE Advocates!

